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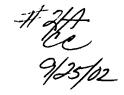
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Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Specification

Please add the following paragraph beginning at page 1, line 3:

CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED PATENT APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/752,841, filed on December 29, 2000, by Vivek Kashyap and entitled "Highly Available TCP Systems with Fail Over Connections".

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is made to update the Specification to include the "Cross-References to Related Applications" paragraph noting the relationship between this application and its parent application. The benefit of the priority of that parent application was claimed in the Declaration filed in this application (attached as Exhibit A to this Preliminary Amendment).

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Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for examination, and respectfully requests early and favorable consideration of its claims. The Examiner is urged to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if, in the Examiner's opinion, such a phone conference would expedite or aid in the search or examination of this application.

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